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LYMPHOCYTE RESPONSES TO HEPATITIS C VIRUS

Docket No.

329368-101A (as amended hereby)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

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This Amendment is being submitted for the purpose of directing the examination of present continuation application to new claims that were not considered in the previously allowed parent case, namely Serial No. 08/214,650. Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered and that the pending claims of the instant patent application be considered in view of the discussion provided herein.

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